

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, to direct the Department of Education to ensure South Dakota students are well-versed in civics and government.

WHEREAS, the Joe Foss Institute has spearheaded the civics education initiative to promote an appreciation for America's freedoms, public service, patriotism, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of South Dakota have great respect for the principles upon which the United States of America was founded; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of South Dakota take great pride in our American civics tradition, how our government works, and who we are as a nation; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of South Dakota deeply appreciate what it means to be an active and engaged citizen, including the associated responsibilities of citizenship; and

WHEREAS, the South Dakota civics and government content standards begin in kindergarten and are taught through 12th grade; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of South Dakota wish to ensure this legacy for future generations:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the Ninetieth Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the House of Representatives concurring therein, that the South Dakota Legislature directs the South Dakota Department of Education to ensure that students are being taught the content reflected in the U.S. Citizenship Civic's Test and demonstrate competency by successful completion of the U.S. Government course required for graduation from high school.

Adopted by the Senate,
Concurred in by the House of Representatives,

February 27, 2015
March 4, 2015

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